



# Western Suburbs Radio Club Inc.

## October 2003 Newsletter

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Website <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac>

### Club Calendar

Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup>	September	Regional Coordinating Committee
Sunday	12 <sup>th</sup>	October	AREC Training at Branch 66
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>	October	WSRC Club Evening – Topic to be announced.
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	October	Bowls at the Albany Hall at 1930
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	October	Jota
Sunday	19 <sup>th</sup>	October	AREC Training at Branch 66
Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup>	November	WSRC Used Equipment Sale - Details below.
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup>	December	North Shore Radio Club Jumble Sale Albany Hall (Details later)

### Club Evening 13 October 2003

At the next club evening on 13th October there will be a series of short talks by various club members on topics of interest. Possible subjects may include the antennae erection at the club, the "new" GM300 sets for AREC use, organisation for the Used Equipment sale, and organisation of the field day station. If you have some interesting piece of equipment that you think the other club members may appreciate, then bring it along and give a short talk on it.

### Last Club Evening

Unfortunately Warren Harding was called away on business at the last minute and he was therefore unable to give the planned talk. Warren has offered to take the club members through sky tower communications room to make up for the cancelled lecture. Merv Thomas is organising this and will let the interested members know when details are finalised.

### New Call

We congratulate Brian Persen on gaining his full call. Brian sat the CW test and is now has the call ZL1KKK. His old call was ZL1WBP.

### WESTERN SUBURBS RADIO CLUB 03 EQUIPMENT SALE SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2003 ROSEBANK ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL 217 ROSEBANK ROAD, AVONDALE

Not the same place as last year but the same as previous years. The school has a brand new hall and has plenty of parking

**TABLES ARE 10.00 EACH IF PREBOOKED or \$15.00 ON THE DAY**  
**TO BOOK A TABLE PHONE**  
**BARRY ZL1ACZ 09 627-9070;**  
**ROY ZL1WI 09 814-9550**  
**MERV ZL1SK 09 828-71**  
**OR JUST ARRIVE AT 0800hrs**

Seller's 0800hrs Buyers 0900hrs

The sale closes AT 1200hrs.

### QUICK FIRE RAFFLES, CAFETERIA, HOT SAUSAGES

**EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT BUYING OR SELLING COME ALONG FOR THE FUN AND MEET FELLOW AMATEURS!**

**SELLERS** There are a limited number of power outlets available. Please bring your own power boards and leads if required.

## Western Suburbs Radio Club Waitakere Sprint Results

### SSB – 38 Logs Received

LOG	POINTS	Certificate
VK5SR	57	Highest Overall
VK3APC	46	1st VK
VK4FJ	37	2nd VK
VK3JS	35	3rd VK
VK2LCD	34	
VK4KSS	30	
VK7VH	30	
VK4DMP	21	
VK3DYL	20	
VK7JAB	14	
VK7LUV	11	
VK3JAZ	10	
ZL1ALZ	50	1st ZL1
ZL1JL	45	
ZL1DK	44	
ZL1SWW	41	
ZL1BVK	40	
ZL4AN	39	
ZL1NE	32	
ZL1TW	30	
ZL1ANM	27	
ZL1WI	23	
ZL1ANT	22	
ZL1BYZ	21	
ZL1TO	18	
ZL2CD	50	1st ZL2
ZL2TW	41	
ZL2BH	39	
ZL2AJB	38	
ZL2ADN	35	
ZL2AUB	34	
ZL2SKY	28	
ZL2MD	26	
ZL3GL	34	1st ZL3
ZL4IM	28	1st ZL4
ZL4HD	16	
ZL1MW	VK3WWW	Check Logs

### CW – 19 Logs Received

LOG	POINTS	Certificate
VK3JS	28	Highest Overall
VK4SN	23	1st VK
VK5XE	20	2nd VK
VK5SR	18	3rd VK
VK3BBT	15	
ZL1PC	27	1st ZL1
ZL1ALZ	23	
ZL1TW	22	
ZL1WI	18	
ZL1ANM	17	
ZL1BVK	6	
ZL2CD	25	1st ZL2
ZL2AJB	24	
ZL2AUB	20	
ZL2TW	20	
ZL2ADN	19	
ZL3CED	16	1st ZL3
ZL4IM	14	1st ZL4
ZL1ACZ		Check Log

### Combined SSB & CW

#### Joint Sprint Champions VK5SR & ZL2CD

Log	SSB	CW	Total
VK5SR	57	18	150
ZL2CD	50	25	150
ZL1ALZ	50	23	146
VK3JS	35	28	126
ZL2AJB	38	24	124
ZL2TW	41	20	122
ZL2ADN	35	19	108
ZL2AUB	34	20	108
ZL1TW	30	22	104
ZL1BVK	40	6	92
ZL1ANM	27	17	88
ZL4IM	28	14	84
ZL1WI	23	18	82

Western Suburbs Radio congratulates the winners and we will see you all again next year.

Thanks to Alex for again organising one of Ham Radio's best contests.

**Western Suburbs Radio Club Branch 03, NZART Inc:  
Minutes of the 7th: meeting for 2003 of the elected Committee.  
Monday 15th: September 2003.**

Attendance: James Moore ZL1JYM, President; Merv Thomas ZL1SK, Secretary; John Turnwald ZL1JT, Treasurer; Brian Huggard ZL1MW, A.R.E.C; Ross Reddell ZL1VRR; Bob Highet ZL1GD, Equipment. Roy Milam ZL1WI for a short visit re Equipment Sale publicity.

Meeting commenced at 1932 hours.

**Apologies:** Nil.

**Radio check-ins:** ZL1GD; ZL1VRR; ZL1MW

**Minutes:** as circulated by email by the secretary were taken as a true and correct record. Moved: James Moore ZL1JYM Seconded: Brian Huggard ZL1MW.

**Matters Arising:** Discussion on the replacement fan system for clubroom ventilation. Ross Reddell ZL1VRR offered a Xpelair and John Turnwald ZL1JT offered some air-conditioning tunnelling.

**Correspondence:** Inwards - 3 Branch newsletters. No receipt as yet received from Marlborough Branch.

**A.R.E.C.** Brian Huggard ZL1MW reported that the cheque for the STSP repeater had been sent to Marlborough Branch. He also had assisted Branch 10 with the Waiuku horse trials over the weekend. During the trial, attempts at HF comms from the beach proved extremely difficult due to excessive noise so were forced to use V.H.F. A.R.E.C meeting set for the following Thursday, 18 September.

**Moved:** John Turnwald ZL1JT and **Seconded:** James Moore ZL1JYM that the A.R.E.C. verbal report be accepted.

**General Business:**

John ZL1JT suggested that we should have a "club host" at general meetings to liaise with arriving members and hand them their ID tags and have them sign the attendance book. James ZL1JYM volunteered to accept the post.

It was revealed (from the AGM. minutes) that the Secretary had also been appointed as Vice-President with power to delegate the Chair at meetings when the President is absent.

The "Freepost" application has been sent and a receipt received back.

**The Equipment Sale,** 1st: November. Ross ZL1VRR will assist with the cafeteria arrangements. John ZL1JT will arrange the necessary goods for the café. John ZL1JT will bring a PA system and run the raffles. Brian Williams ZL1ACZ to get the key and the security alarm code. Volunteer assistants to arrive at the hall at 07-00 hrs. Table price set at \$10.00 PRE-PAID and \$15.00 on the day.

**Maintenance:** Ross ZL1VRR and John ZL1JT will sort out the ventilation problem. (see Matters Arising above.) Discussion on remaining work and materials required to complete the H.F. vertical antenna.

**Promoting Amateur Radio.** A reminder of the meeting at Branch 66 25th September.

John ZL1JT suggested investigating the idea of "project evenings" for the club meetings, say by surveying members for ideas or buying bulk kits or components or perhaps a project taken from Break-In. Ask members if they have a kit waiting to be assembled or are desirous of obtaining a specific kit for assembly that the membership could assist them with at a project evening or perhaps a Saturday morning workshop.

Meeting concluded (stopped) (finished) (halted) at 20-41 hours.

Merv Thomas, Secretary / Vice-President / Scribe  
17<sup>th</sup>: September 2003.

**Branch 03 AREC training Night**

The AREC group met on Thursday 18 September. There was general discussions on what can go wrong with communications and this was related to ensuring that an adequate Log is kept of all communications during an event. This is particularly important if ever an enquiry is held following the event.

The final part of the evening involved assembling the "New" GM300 Radio's (Ex Waitakere City Civil Defence). Brian Huggard has put a lot of time into setting these up for emergency work and they are available for use for emergencies, Horse trial communications, and others situations where a base station is required. The GM300 sitting on the top of the power supply with a vertical whip antenna is shown over the page.



**AREC Region Training**

Two training days are to be held at the Auckland VHF Group Club-Rooms, Branch 66, in Hazel Avenue Mt Roskill on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of October. These will provide valuable training in AREC communications. If you would like to be involved, give Brian Huggard a call on 09 833 7006, to book yourself a place. Hurray along as there are limited spaces available and numbers need to be finalised as soon as possible.

**This is Quite Amazing!**

Well. Quite interesting, anyway... E

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**Club Nets**

VHF Net 146.525 MHz 7:30pm every Wednesday HF Net 3622 KHz +/- QRM/QRN 7:30pm every Friday  
 HF Net Roster, Branch 03 The full roster is on: <http://www.qsl.net/zl1ac/wsrc-hf-roster.html>

3 October 2003	ZL1MW	Brian
10 October 2003	ZL1JL	John
17 October 2003	ZL1NE	John
24 October 2003	ZL1ACZ	Barry
31 October 2003	ZL1WI	Roy
7 November 2003	ZL1VRR	Ross